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VIA ECFS

March 22, 2017

Kris Monteith
Acting Wireline Competition Bureau Chief
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: Notice of Discontinuance of Common Carrier DSL Access Transmission and Consumer Broadband-Only Loop Service

GN Docket No. 14-28
WC Docket No. 10-90
CC Docket No. 01-92

Dear Ms. Monteith,

Pursuant to the Federal Communication Commission's *Open Internet Order* and the 2016 *Rate-of-Return Reform Order*, Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. is hereby providing the FCC with the attached notice of the Cooperative's discontinuance of common carrier DSL access transmission and the Consumer Broadband-Only Loop (CBOL) service, effective July 1, 2017. The company will no longer offer a distinct, separate DSL transmission and CBOL service as part of Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc's broadband Internet offering.

In addition, following the notice to the FCC is the notice that Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. furnished its affiliated Internet service provider on March 22, 2017, which is presently the only customer of the Cooperative's DSL access transmission and CBOL service.

A copy of this notice was also sent to the Montana Public Service Commissioners, the Governor of Montana, and the Special Assistant for Telecommunications at the Department of Defense.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Michael Candelaria
Chief Executive Officer

Attachment

Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc
Study Area Code 482246

**Notice of Discontinuance of Common Carrier DSL Access Transmission and Consumer
Broadband Only Loop (CBOL) Service**

GN Docket No. 14-28

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Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. currently offers common carrier DSL access transmission and CBOL service under tariff through the National Exchange Carrier Association (NECA) Tariff F.C.C. No. 5. Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. hereby provides notice that the Cooperative has requested from NECA that it remove the Cooperative as a provider of Digital Subscriber Line Access and CBOL Services under Tariff F.C.C. No. 5, July 1, 2017 and will discontinue the provision of DSL access transmission and CBOL on July 1, 2017.

Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. will continue to provide broadband Internet access services as a complete broadband internet access, and will no longer offer a separate, distinct DSL transmission and CBOL service.

The discontinuance of DSL access transmission and CBOL by Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. will apply to the entirety of the Cooperative's study area 482246. This includes the following exchanges:

Baker	Bloomfield	Carlyle	Circle
Custer	East Carlyle	Ekalaka	Fallon
Grass Range	Jordan	Lambert	Lavina
Lindsay	Melstone	Musselshell	North Ryegate
Plevna	Richey	Rock Springs	Roundup
Roy	Ryegate	Savage	South Wolf Point
Terry	West Glendive	West Sidney	Winnett

Presently, Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. only customer for its DSL access transmission and CBOL service is the Cooperative's own non-regulated Internet service provider (ISP) affiliate. The Cooperative's affiliated ISP purchases DSL access transmission and CBOL service for use as an input to the retail broadband Internet access services it offers to residential and business end-user customers. The discontinuance of the DSL access transmission and CBOL will have no effect on the end-user services provided by the Cooperative's affiliated ISP.

On March 22, 2017, Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. furnished its affiliated ISP with the attached memorandum, which notifies the ISP of the Cooperative's plan to discontinue its

provisioning of DSL access transmission and CBOL service under tariff and to continue providing such service on a private carriage basis.

cc: Governor of Montana; Governor Steve Bullock
Montana Public Service Commission; Chairman Brad Johnson
Special Assistant for Telecommunications at the Department of Defense

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To: Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc.
d/b/a Mid-Rivers Internet

From: Michael Candelaria, Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

Date: March 22, 2017

RE: Notice of Discontinuing Offering of Separate DSL Transmission and Consumer
Broadband-Only Loop (CBOL) Service

This is to notify you of a change in the way in which Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. provides DSL access transmission and CBOL service, which is used as an input for the broadband Internet access services that you offer to residential and business end-user customers.

Presently, Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. provides DSL access transmission and CBOL service under tariff through the National Exchange Carrier Association (NECA) Tariff F.C.C. No. 5. Effective July 1, 2017, Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. will discontinue offering DSL access transmission and CBOL service as a separate service.

Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. DSL access transmission and CBOL services will be discontinued throughout the entirety of the Cooperative's service area for Study Area Code 482246. This includes the following exchanges:

Baker	Bloomfield	Carlyle	Circle
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